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SUBJECT: WEST AFRICAN SHRIMP (NIG.) LTD. LOAN

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- 1. EMBOFF DISCUSSED SUBJECT WITH MIN INDUSTRIES OFFICIALS WHO REPORTED THAT A PROPOSAL FROM WEST AFRICAN SHRIMPS HAD BEEN REVIEWED BY THE FEDERAL EXECUTIVE COUNCIL(FEC). HOWEVER, NEITHER MINISTRY OFFICIAL FROM PLANNING AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION DIVISION (ONYENANU) NOR AGRO-ALLIED TEXTILE DIVISION (ASHINGOGAZE) COULD LOCATE RELEVANT DOCUMENTS IN WEST AFRICAN SHRIMPS FILE. OFFICIALS WOULD NOT COMMENT ON FEC DECISION WITHOUT DOCUMENT BEFORE THEM. ALSO NOT SURE WHETHER FEC DECISION REFERRED TO LOAN OR INSURANCE PROPOSAL. EMBASSY WILL PRESS MINISTRY TO COME UP WITH MISFILED DOCUMENT AND REPORT FINDINGS ASAP.
- 2. FRED EGBE IS ONE OF BETTER KNOWN AND RESPECTED NIGERIAN LAWYERS. HOWEVER, HIS MODUS OPERANDI IS SIMILAR TO OTHER SUCCESSFUL ATTORNEYS HER, I.E. TAKE ON TOO MANY CLIENTS, CHARGE TOO MUCH, AND DO TOO LITTLE. THERE ARE, OF COURSE, OTHER COMPETENT RISING LAWYERS IN TOWN, BUT NON-ACTION SEEMS TO BE ALL TOO COMMON TRAIT AMONG NIGERIA'S LEGAL FRATERNITY. IF OPIC JUDGES ITS RELATIONSHIP WITH EGBE UNWORKABLE, SUGGEST OPIC CHOOSE ANOTHER FROM ATTORNEYS INTERVIEWED BY OPIC REP LINDGREN IN MAY 1976 AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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